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General HEUSINGER's Views on the First Delivery  
of WEPRIME Weapons

1. I recently spent a long evening with General HEUSINGER at his home in Bonn. The details of our conversation are being reported in a separate dispatch. The purpose of this letter is to bring to the attention of Aachen a personal request of General HEUSINGER.

2. General HEUSINGER is deeply disturbed regarding the increasingly unfavorable internal German attitude on remilitarization. He himself is not happy, from a political viewpoint, that EWG was junked and a national German army will be created. Nevertheless, that is the decision that has been made and one which he and other German officials must carry out. He requests that WEPRIME officials at the policy-making level recognize the importance of making the first delivery of WEPRIME arms to the new German army a major propaganda effort. At least the first shipment of arms, particularly armor equipment, must be the latest, the biggest and best models of available WEPRIME equipment. If only one of the twelve divisions is going to get the best equipment it must, by all means, be the first division to be equipped. This step alone will do much to weaken the charges of the opponents of remilitarization that WEPRIME considers the Germans as "cannon fodder" and will only issue them second class and obsolete equipment.

3. I assured General HEUSINGER that I would bring his views on the psychological significance of the first arms delivery to the attention of Aachen and Boppings. I have already brought this matter to the attention of Paul J. Boppings who will discuss it with WEPRIME officials here in Europe.

4. It is requested that this matter be presented to Aachen and that I be authorized to inform HEUSINGER that we have brought this matter to the attention of appropriate officials.

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